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Dear Muckrock.com Editors:

This is in response to your electronic request dated 1 December 2012, received in the Information Management Services Office of the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) on 1 December 2012. Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), you are requesting "a copy of the newest NRO's Review and Redaction Guide."

Your request has been processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. A thorough search of our records and databases located two hundred seventy-two (272) pages responsive to your request. These pages are being released to you in part.

Information withheld from release is denied pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1) as properly classified information under Executive Order 13526, Section 1.4(c), (d), (e) and (g); and (b)(3), which pertains to information withheld from disclosure by statutory authority. The relevant withholding statute is 10 U.S.C. § 424, which provides that, except as required by the President or for information provided to Congress, "no provision of law shall be construed to require the disclosure" of the organization or any function of the NRO, or the name, official title, occupational series, grade, or salary, or number of persons employed by or assigned or detailed to the NRO.

The FOIA authorizes federal agencies to assess fees for record services. Based upon the information provided, you have been placed in the "educational/scientific/media" category of requesters, which means you are responsible for duplication fees (.15 per page) exceeding 100 pages. In this case, assessable fees in processing your case total \$25.80, for duplication of 172 pages at \$0.15 per page. As we are currently unable to

forward the responsive pages in your preferred electronic format, in order to avoid delay in response to you, we are providing the responsive document in hard copy at this time. In light of the potential for the released information to contribute to the public's understanding of NRO operations and activities, we are waiving all assessable fees. Additional information about fees can be found on our website at www.nro.gov.

You have the right to appeal this determination by addressing your appeal to the NRO Appeal Authority, 14675 Lee Road, Chantilly, VA 20151-1715 within 60 days of the date of this letter. Should you decide to do so, please explain the basis of your appeal.

If you have any questions, please call the Requester Service Center at (703) 227-9326 and reference case number **F13-0031**.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Douglas J. Davis', written in a cursive style.

Douglas J. Davis
Chief, Information Access
and Release Group

Enclosure: National Reconnaissance Office Review and Redaction
Guide for Automatic Declassification of 25-Year-
Old Information, Version 2.0 2012 Edition